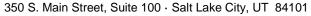


UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 5, 2020

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: The past week resulted in cooler than normal temperatures across the state, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. While northern Utah received a fair amount of moisture this past week, the remainder of the state remains quite dry, except some areas in the south which received scattered rains. The percent of the state experiencing severe drought increased from 27 percent last week to 48 percent this week. Almost the entire state, except areas in the northeast and southwest, is rated as experiencing at least moderate drought. Topsoil moisture level conditions rated adequate to surplus decreased from 55 percent last week to 52 percent. Statewide, the first cutting of alfalfa and the first cutting of other hay are 93 percent complete and 69 percent complete, respectively, both ahead of last year's progress. Box Elder County reports winter wheat is beginning to become ripe, and farmers are progressing on their second cutting of alfalfa. Statewide, barley headed is at 84 percent complete and winter wheat headed is at 93 percent complete. Reporters from both Uintah and Beaver counties stated grasshoppers continue to be a problem and are hurting some crops. A reporter from the southern part of the state indicated that although some moisture was received, conditions are very dry and need more. Stock water supplies were rated 6 percent very short, 29 percent short, and 65 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies were rated 2 percent very poor, 18 percent poor, 24 percent fair, 55 percent good, and 1 percent excellent.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Alfalfa hay						
1 st cutting harvested	93	86	77	NA		
2 nd cutting harvested	22	3	NA	NA		
Barley						
Headed	84	69	65	NA		
Other hay						
1st cutting harvested	69	55	63	81		
Tart cherries						
Harvested	3		1	3		
Winter wheat						
Headed	93	90	NA	NA		
Harvested	1		1	4		

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
Days suitable for field work	6.2	6.6	6.9	6.9		
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short	15	11	1	11		
Short	33	34	27	36		
Adequate	52	55	70	52		
Surplus			2	1		
Subsoil moisture						
Very short	16	13	1	9		
Short	32	31	25	34		
Adequate	52	56	70	56		
Surplus			4	1		

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Very poor				NA
Poor	5	4	9	NA
Fair	25	24	25	NA
Good	62	67	56	NA
Excellent	8	5	10	NA
Barley				·
Very poor				
Poor	3	3		1
Fair	40	36	15	12
Good	48	55	57	66
Excellent	9	6	28	21
Corn	,	U	20	21
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Very poor	9	10		
Poor	9 29	10	10	1.5
Fair		31	18	15
Good	56	55	62	72
Excellent	6	4	20	13
Other hay				
Very poor				NA
Poor	8	7	1	NA
Fair	29	21	16	NA
Good	59	68	55	NA
Excellent	4	4	28	NA
asture and range				
Very poor	4	4		3
Poor	14	12		9
Fair	42	43	8	30
Good	39	41	51	45
Excellent	1		41	13
Vinter wheat				
Very poor	5	5		3
Poor	11	14	13	8
Fair	43	39	30	25
Good	30	31	42	49
Excellent	11	11	15	15
Cattle and calves				
Very poor				
Poor	3	1		1
Fair	9	9	8	12
Good	75	81	70	71
Excellent	13	9	22	16
Sheep and lambs	1.3		22	10
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Very poor				1
Poor Fair	16	16		15
	16	16	6	_
Good	71	72	73	71
Excellent	13	12	21	13

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